







# Positions immediately available in Arizona! Serve your country in your community.

AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps\*VISTA:
A pathway to training and future employment.

AmeriCorps and VISTA projects in Arizona currently have a number of positions immediately available. Qualified individuals with disabilities and those from diverse backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply. **Reasonable accommodations for qualified individuals are provided.** 

AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps\*VISTA are part of the national and community network of national service programs that engage thousands of people to meet critical needs in education, public safety, homeland security, health and the environment. To learn more about AmeriCorps, please visit <a href="https://www.americorps.gov">www.americorps.gov</a>.

A critical need identified by AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps\*VISTA is employment for people with disabilities. A Harris Survey sponsored by the National Organization on Disability shows that only about 34% of working-age Americans with Disability have regular, full-time employment. Compare this fact with the projection that over the next ten years a record number of people will retire creating an employment shortage—10 to 15 million jobs (The Erickson Tribune, January 2007, page 6). The time is now to take the advantage of the AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps\*VISTA pathways to training and employment.

AmeriCorps or AmeriCorps\*VISTA members receive benefits for the term of their service. Benefits for full-time members include:

Living Allowance between \$9996 and \$10,900 Eligible for Health Insurance FICA

Education Award of \$4,725 Eligible for Child Care Workers Compensation

Part-time members receive proportionately fewer benefits depending on the length of term and, **but all are provided with a remarkable opportunity to serve!** 

### Outcomes of assignments with AmeriCorps and AmeriCorps\*VISTA

89% of former AmeriCorps\*State and National Direct members accepted public service employment (including governmental and nonprofit work within three years after completing their service

86% of former AmeriCorps\*State and National Direct members indicated that their service experience and training helped to a large or moderate extent in their job, educational pursuits, or community service activities.

## For project locations, available positions and contacts, read on.

The Arizona Governor's Commission on Service and Volunteerism is a Governor appointed commission of the Governor's Office for Children, Youth and Families, Division for Community and Youth Development

## **Arizona AmeriCorps Opportunities (As of 4/25/07)**

| PROGRAM NAME   | LOCATION AND CONTACT   | CURRENT<br>OPENINGS!  | FOCUS OF ASSIGNMENTS   |
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| Arts for All, Inc. (AmeriCorps) Tucson   | Contact: Gale Thomssen (520) 622-4100 americorps@artsforallinc.org   | 7 full-time positions<br>8 part-time positions<br>Immediately available!  | Assist direct care staff and artists/teachers while making the arts accessible   |
| Family Literacy AmeriCorps<br>Tucson   | Contact: Karen Smith or Maryann Phininzy (520) 741-7175 karen.smith@pima.edu                                   | 5 part-time positions<br>Immediately available                            | Supports Family Literacy staff<br>and Instructors in instruction and<br>community outreach   |
| Special Needs Emergency<br>Preparedness<br>Tucson                                    | Contact: Tim Siemsen (520) 740-3911 tim.siemsen@pimahealth.org   | 4 full-time positions<br>Immediately available!                           | Outreach to neighborhood groups related to emergency management and special needs populations  |
| Pima Partnership<br>Charter High School<br><b>Tucson</b>                             | Contact: Ken Walker (520) 977-5886 kwalker@thepartnership.us   | 4 full-time positions<br>7 part-time positions<br>Immediately available!  | Volunteer Coordinator; Job<br>Developer; Education Liaison;<br>Literacy Liaison; Community<br>Catalyst Leader  |
| Volunteer Center<br>of Southern Arizona<br>Youth Now! Collaboration<br><b>Tucson</b> | Contact: Dave Chandler (520) 881-3300 dchandler@volunteersoaz.org  | 4 full-time positions<br>7 part-time positions<br>Immediately available!  | Various positions at off-site<br>locations such as: First Focus on<br>Kids Impact Council; House of<br>Neighborly Service; United Way;<br>Child and Family Resources                         |
| Bringing Service Home<br>Tucson  | Contact:<br>Georgia Ehlers<br>(520) 621-9103<br>gehlers@u.arizona.edu  | 4 part-time positions Immediately available!                              | Various graduate level<br>assignments with off-site hosts<br>such as: ASYLUM of S. AZ,<br>Bureau of Land Mgmt., Catholic<br>Social Services, Habitat for<br>Humanity.                        |
| Youth and Young Adult Program <b>Guadalupe</b>                                       | Contact: Jennifer Drury (480) 730-5575 jdrury@yyap.org   | 12 part-time positions<br>Available summer<br>2007                        | Youthbuild-assist in building energy affordable housing; Youth Volunteers Corps-leadership and program coordination; tutor/ mentor youth in Youthbuild and YVC; Computer-center coordinators |
| Youth in Action<br>Flagstaff   | Contact: Deidre Crawley (928) 523-2182, deidre.crawley@nau.edu Ryan Daily, 928-523-0567, americorps3@gmail.com | 5 full-time positions<br>29 part-time positions<br>Immediately available! | Various assignments at 35 off-<br>site locations such as: American<br>Conservation Experience, Killip<br>Family Literacy, American Red<br>Cross, Native Americans for<br>Community Action.   |
| Coconino Rural<br>Environment Corps<br>Flagstaff                                     | Contact: Dustin Woodman (928) 522-7987 dwoodman@coconino.az.gov  | Positions Filled!<br>(Opening in May)                                     | AmeriCorps member assignments include forest restoration, trail maintenance and GPS surveys  |

## Arizona AmeriCorps\*VISTA Opportunities (as of 6/11/07) Complete the on-line application at <a href="https://recruit.cns.gov/applyform.asp">https://recruit.cns.gov/applyform.asp</a>

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| Arizona State University Building Great Communities Phoenix     | Contact:<br>Kenja Hassan<br>(602) 496-1349<br>kenja.hassan@asu.edu            | 1 full-time VISTA position Immediately available!        | VISTA members helping middle school students prepare for higher education. Serving Arizona's Tribal communities.  |
| Arts for All, Inc.<br>Tucson                                    | Contact: Gail Thomssen (520) 622-4100 americorps@artsforallinc.org            | Positions Filled!  | Serving adults and children with disabilities through the arts. VISTA members support financial development efforts to expand services and increase the number of clients through community outreach efforts. |
| Big Brothers Big Sisters of<br>Northeastern Arizona<br>Show Low | Contact: Brett Curry (928) 537-1996 brettcurry373@hotmail.com                 | 2 full-time VISTA positions Immediately available!       | After school programs and individualized one-to-one mentoring programs are expanded through the efforts of our VISTA members.   |
| Camp Fire USA<br>Greater Arizona Council<br><b>Phoenix</b>      | Contact: Mandy Tuitavuki (602) 954-7544 x120 mtuitavuki@campfireaz.org        | 2 full-time VISTA position Immediately available!        | To enhance portions of the existing Committed to Murphy's Youth programming. VISTA's also implement sustainable structures that promote youth leadership and civic engagement.                                |
| City of Phoenix Department of Human Services Head Start Phoenix | Contact: Patricia Nightingale (602) 262-6663 Patricia.nightingale@phoenix.gov | 2 full-time VISTA positions Immediately available!       | The VISTA members strengthen the connection between our Head Start Families and our Oral Heath, Parent Education, Health, and Social/Emotional Wellness programming.  |
| Concho CAN!<br>Concho   | Contact: Linda Jones 928-337-9339 conchoconnection@frontiernet.net            | 2 full-time VISTA<br>positions<br>Immediately available! | VISTA members work to develop and implement our new Community Connection program; Connecting Baby Boomers & mentoring participants through the design of intergenerational community service projects.        |
| Foster Angels of AZ<br>Serving Together<br><b>Mesa</b>          | Contact: Lauri Brown (480) 895-0189 lauri.brown@fosterangelsaz.org            | 1 full-time VISTA position Immediately available!        | VISTA members sustain efforts of FAAST) Foster Angels of Arizona Serving Together program. FAAST helps school-aged foster youth and young adults to achieve academic success through mentoring.               |
| International Rescue Committee Phoenix                          | Contact: Nicolle Walker (602) 433-2440, Ext 213 NicolleW@theIRC.org           | 2 full-time VISTA positions Immediately available!       | VISTA's assist to increase public awareness and to partnerships that will help build stronger refugee communities. VISTA's also support ALERT, an IRC programs that aids victims of human trafficking.        |
| International Rescue Committee Tucson                           | Contact: Rachel Lau (520) 319-2128 Rachel.lau@theirc.org                      | 1 full-time VISTA position Immediately available!        | The VISTA members strengthen the capacity of the youth financial literacy program and the volunteer program that supports the resettlement of new refugee families.   |
| Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest Tucson                | Contact: Janell Mousseau (520) 721-4444 _imousseau@lsmsaz.org                 | Positions Filled!  | Resettlement services, advocacy, and immigration services for refugees from all over the world. VISTA members work to improve   |

| Lutheran Social Services of the Southwest Phoenix                                    | Contact: Donna Buckles (602) 248-4400, ext 117 dbuckles@phxinternet.net            | Positions Filled!  | To support the Refugee Assistance Programs. The VISTA project includes the design of a children's cultural orientation program, school advocacy for refugee children; parenting, skill building, and educational classes for women; assistance for the development of English Language Training classes. |
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| Mesa Community Action Network<br>(MESACAN)<br>Tucson, Mesa, Phoenix                  | Contact: Megan Entwistle (480) 833-9200 ext 111 email: mentwistle@assetsaz.org     | 7 full-time VISTA<br>positions<br>Immediately available! | VISTA members help build the capacity of our Institute and our partner nonprofits offering Individual Development Accounts (IDA's) with the goal to increase the number of families utilizing IDA accounts.  |
| National Farm Workers Service<br>Center<br>Arizona, California, Texas, New<br>Mexico | Contact: Gina Rodriguez (213) 362-0261 e-mail:ginar@nfwsc.org                      | 10 full-time VISTA positions Immediately available!      | VISTA members serve as After<br>School Residential Service<br>Coordinators. Their role is to develop<br>volunteer management systems to<br>increase the number of community<br>volunteers serving in the after school<br>programs.   |
| Primavera Foundation<br><b>Tucson</b>  | Contact: Jenna Van Laningham (520) 623-5111 x 104 jvanlaningham@primavera.org      | 1 full-time VISTA<br>position<br>Immediately available!  | Supporting the Prisoner Re-Entry Partnership (PREP), the VISTA members coordinate the three Weed and Seed Coalitions in Tucson, integrating the goals of PREP with those of the Weed and Seed neighborhoods focused on reducing crime and improving quality of life and economic opportunities           |
| Prescott College<br>Prescott   | Contact: Courtney Osterfelt (928) 350-1007 costerfelt@prescott.edu                 | Positions Filled!  | The goal of our project is to use VISTA volunteers to help link the capacity for service and civic involvement that is present at Prescott College with the needs that exist within our city and county.   |
| Southwest Conservation Corps<br>(SCC)<br>Tucson                                      | Contact: Aurora Fabry-Wood 520-884-5550 aurora@sccorps.org                         | 1 full-time VISTA position Immediately available!        | The SCC program is built upon the legacy of the Civilian Conservation Corps of the 1930s. The VISTA project helps to build SCC capacity to engage more disadvantaged youth in service.   |
| Valley of the Sun,<br>Habitat for Humanity<br><b>Phoenix</b>                         | Contact: Missie D' Aunoy (602) 268-9022 email: mdaunoy@habitataz.org               | 1 full-time VISTA position Immediately available!        | VISTA members will help build the capacity of the new Brush of Kindness program and the Discount Home Improvement Center. Major duties will include volunteer recruitment and management.  |
| Volunteer Center of Maricopa County Phoenix  | Contact: Margie Coggins (602) 263-9736 ext 505 Margie.coggins@volunteerphoenix.org | 2 full-time VISTA<br>position<br>Immediately available!  | The VISTA project addresses the needs of low-income families who may be impacted by a national disaster. Activities include presenting emergency preparedness trainings in low-income areas of Maricopa county during monthly block watch meetings.  |
| Volunteer Center of Southern<br>Arizona<br>Tucson                                    | Contact: Linda Krause (520) 881-3300 ext 107 lkrause@volunteersoaz.org             | 6 full-time VISTA positions Immediately available!       | VISTA's develop effective volunteer management systems for schools to increase the number of community volunteers to support literacy activities and other school based volunteer needs.   |

Youth Count Prescott Valley Contact: Angie Cole (928) 708-0100 angiecole@cableone.net

6 full-time VISTA positions Immediately available! Intergenerational asset based community Development via Generations United of Yavapai County.

#### FOR QUESTIONS, CONCERNS, OR ADDITIONAL SUPPORT, PLEASE CONTACT:

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